

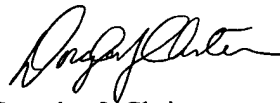
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1. [] A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

2. ☐ Cancel in this application claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
3. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Division of Application No. * filed *, which in turn is a _____.
4. ☐ Priority of foreign application(s) No. _____ filed _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. _____ on _____.
5. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to _____ recorded at Reel _____, Frame _____.
6. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
7. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
8. ☐ Applicant(s) is/are entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27.
9. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, and Compact Disc Transmittal are enclosed.
10. ☐ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (nonpublication).
11. ☒ Address all future communications to:

Patterson, Thunte, Skaar & Christensen, P.A.
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Respectfully submitted,



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Rauworth et al.

Application No.: 09/09/541,871

Examiner: S. Pollard

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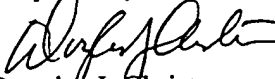
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

BOX AF
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of three (3) months (from June 21, 2001 to September 21, 2001) within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated March 21, 2001 is requested. Applicant is filing a continuation application on this date. A check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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